

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Claim 1 is allowable. Claims 7, 10, 13, 14, 17, 19, and 20, are previously withdrawn from consideration as a result of a restriction requirement, require all the limitations of an allowable claim. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in MPEP § 821.04(a), the restriction requirement between inventions species, as set forth in the Office action mailed on 12/27/2006, is hereby withdrawn and claims 7, 10, 13, 14, 17, 19, and 20 hereby rejoined and fully examined for patentability under 37 CFR 1.104.

Claims 7, 10, 13, 14, 17, 19, and 20 are now set in a condition of allowance as claims 1-6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 15, 46, 48-54, and 70.

Claims 16, 18, 21-45, 47, 55-69, and 71-73 was cancelled.

Conclusions

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tuan C To whose telephone number is (571) 272-6985. The examiner can normally be reached on from 8:00AM to 5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jack Keith can be reached on 571-272-6878.

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